

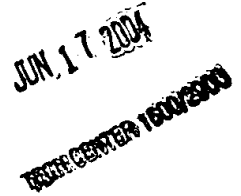
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

Re the Application of:
Inventor(s): Thomas Happe
Serial No.: 10/077,699
Filed: 2/15/02
Title: Hydrogen Production
Docket No.: 01MEL1

Examiner: Yong D. Pak
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Santa Barbara, CA



REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

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Sir:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE is being filed in response to the Office Action issued 5/14/04 in the application, made final.

1. **Submission:** Applicant encloses an Amendment B responsive to the aforesaid Office Action dated 5/14/04 in the application.
2. **Fees:** This RCE and the enclosed Amendment B is being filed within the 3-month time limit for response. Applicant encloses the \$385 fee for filing this RCE in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17(e).

Very respectfully,

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